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This report contains the results from the **2016 January Cattle** and **Sheep and Goat Reports**. The data are also posted on our Web site at <http://www.nass.usda.gov/la>. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaires and interviews for these surveys.

January 1 Louisiana All Cattle Inventory Down from Last Year
All Cows, Milk Cows, Milk Replacement Heifers at Record Lows for Louisiana

Cattle: All cattle and calves in Louisiana as of January 1, 2016, totaled 780,000 head, were down 1 percent from January 1, 2015. The calf crop for the full year of 2015 was 350,000 head, down 1 percent from last year. All cows and heifers that have calved, at 465,000 head, were down 3 percent from January 1, 2015 and a record low; beef cows, at 452,000 head, were down 3 percent; and milk cows, at 13,000 head, were down 7 percent and an all time record low. All heifers weighing 500 pounds and over were up 7 percent to 110,000 head. Steers were down 8 percent at 22,000 head; bulls were unchanged at 30,000 head, and calves weighing less than 500 pounds were down 1 percent to 153,000 head.

Goats: On January 1, 2016, Louisiana meat and other goat inventory totaled 19,000 head, down 5 percent from the revised previous year.

Cattle Inventory by Class: Louisiana and U.S., January 1, 2015-2016

| Class ¹ | Louisiana | | | United States | | |
|--|-----------------------|-------|----------------------|---------------|----------|----------------------|
| | 2015 | 2016 | % Change from '15 | 2015 | 2016 | % Change from '15 |
| | 1,000 Head | | | 1,000 Head | | |
| All Cattle and Calves | 790 | 780 | - 1 | 89,143.0 | 91,988.0 | + 3 |
| All Cows and Heifers that have calved | 480 | 465** | - 3 | 38,609.0 | 39,646.2 | + 3 |
| Beef Cows | 466 | 452 | - 3 | 29,302.1 | 30,330.8 | + 4 |
| Milk Cows | 14 | 13** | - 7 | 9,306.9 | 9,315.4 | +<0.1 |
| All Heifers 500 pounds and over | 102 | 110 | + 8 | 19,261.2 | 19,882.3 | + 3 |
| Beef Replacement Heifers | 74 | 84 | +14 | 6,086.4 | 6,285.2 | + 3 |
| Milk Replacement Heifers | 5** | 5** | - | 4,710.4 | 4,824.0 | + 2 |
| Other Heifers | 23 | 21 | - 9 | 8,464.4 | 8,713.1 | + 3 |
| Steers 500 Pounds and Over | 24 | 22 | - 8 | 15,629.5 | 16,320.4 | + 4 |
| Bulls 500 Pounds and Over | 30 | 30 | - | 2,109.4 | 2,142.4 | + 2 |
| Calves Under 500 Pounds | 154 | 153 | - 1 | 13,533.9 | 14,056.7 | + 4 |
| Cattle and Calves on Feed ² | (D) | (D) | - | 13,025.0 | 13,177.0 | + 1 |
| Calf Crop | 2014 | 2015 | % Change from '14 | 2014 | 2015 | % Change from '14 |
| | 1,000 Head | | | 1,000 Head | | |
| | Calf Crop During Year | 355 | 350 | - 1 | 33,522.0 | 34,301.7 |

*Record High ** Record Low

¹Totals may not add due to rounding.

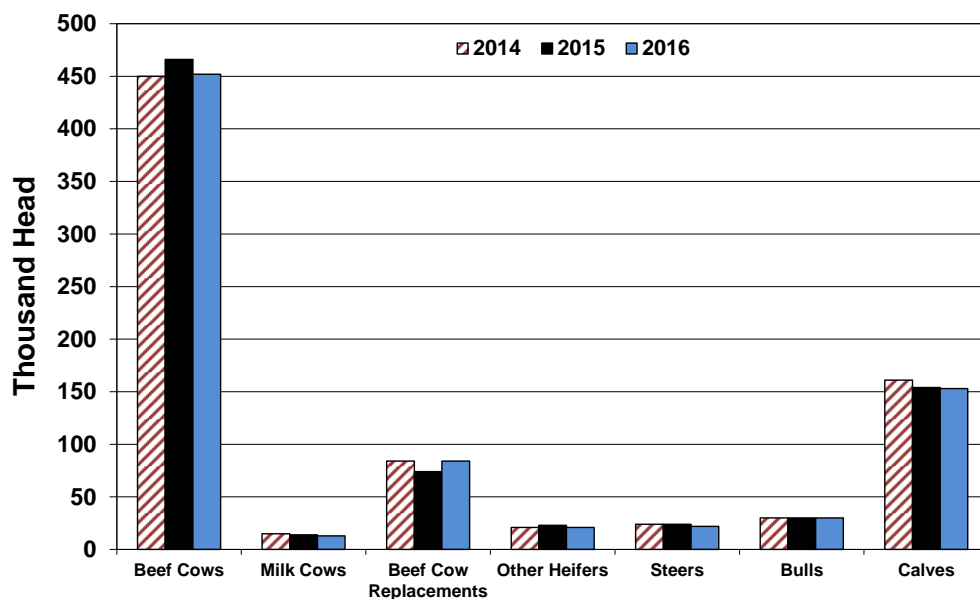
²Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. Cattle and calves on feed are included in the cattle inventory estimates by classes.

Goats and Sheep Inventory: Louisiana and U.S., January 1, 2015-2016

| Animal & Class | Louisiana | | | United States | | |
|----------------------|------------|------|----------------------|---------------|-------|----------------------|
| | 2015 | 2016 | % Change from '15 | 2015 | 2016 | % Change from '15 |
| | 1,000 Head | | | 1,000 Head | | |
| All Goats | (D) | (D) | - | 2,650 | 2,620 | - 1 |
| Angora Goats | (D) | (D) | - | 160 | 150 | - 6 |
| Meat and Other Goats | 20.0 | 19.0 | - 5 | 2,125 | 2,095 | - 1 |
| Milk Goats | (D) | (D) | - | 365 | 375 | + 3 |
| Sheep | (D) | (D) | - | 5,280 | 5,320 | + 1 |

(D) Data is not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

Cattle Inventory by Class, Louisiana, January 1, 2014-2016



Cattle Inventory, Louisiana and U.S., January 1, 2007-2016

